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Revel, June 25, O. S.

THE Czar having taken an exact View of all the Works, of the Magazines, of his Summer House and Garden, and what else here is any way remarkable, set sail from hence on the 22d in order to join the Gallies either at Hangut or Abo. The Places of the Fleet's Rendezvous in Case of a Storm, are either Hangut or Rogerwyk. All the Masters and Mates as well of the British as Dutch Prizes brought in here, were obliged to go with the Fleet; on Supposition that they having used the Trade of Sweden, the Coasts of that Country are well known to them. His Czarish Majesty, the Day before his Departure, had an Account by a Dutch Fly-boat (which had been carried into Stockholm, and set at Liberty again) that the Swedes have six Ships of the Line and three Prahmes lying near the Dalars to oppose his entring there; and that a considerable Body of Land Forces were drawn together not far from Stockholm, which on Notice given of the Russians landing are to march where Occasion may require.

Berne, July 14. The French Ambassadour the Marquis d'Avaray has not assisted at the General Dyet at Baden, as was expected, but has sent thither the Secretary of the Embassy M. de Martiniere to acquaint the Dyet, that since his Excellency had received no Orders from his Court to make any Proposition to the Helvetick Body, he had thought it needless to repair thither in Person, but had sent him the Secretary to acquaint them herewith, and to wish them all Success in their Deliberations. The said Dyet has been sitting but one Week at Baden, and nothing very material has passed.

Naples, July 14. On the 27th past, a fresh Gale coming up Southerly, Sir George Byng left the Gallies, which were not able to go to Windward, went on Board the Kent at Reggio, and plyed away to the Rendezvous of the Transports near Tavermina. In his Passage thither, on the 28th he met Count Ligneville, whom General Mercy had sent with a Felucca to desire a Conference with him at his Camp, and acquainted him that Detachments of Horse were placed to guard him up to the Camp. Sir George landed that Afternoon, and went to the Camp, where he conferred with General Mercy, and had a Relation from him of all that had happened. The next Morning he went and viewed the several Posts where the Action had been, as also the Situation of the Enemy's Camp. By all Accounts no Action was warmer for the Time, nor ever Troops behaved with more Bravery than the Imperialists did: But the Intrenchments of the Spaniards were too strong to be forced by Troops so equal to them in Number. The Spanish Army continued in their Camp and Intrenchments, having the River before them, and the Imperialists extended themselves to the Left on the Heights over against them, possessing some Houses and small Posts in the narrow Valley between them; and both Armies lay from Right to Left within Musket Shot of each other; the Enemy having then only two small Pieces of Cannon, and the Germans had got from the Sea 6 three Pounders, which they had placed so as they much incommoded the Enemy. In Pursuance of the Conference with General Mercy, Sir George Byng repaired hither, and had last Night a Conference with the Viceroy Count Gallas; he has also had a Conference with the Marquess de Breille, Minister of the King of Sardinia.

From the Camp near St. Sebastian, July 20, N. S. Captain Johnson commanding His Britannick Majesty's Ships of War upon this Station, took three Days ago a Spanish Man of War of 20 Guns; she had 120 Men in her, but being close to the Shore several of them jumped over board, some of which were drowned, so that he took but 50 Prisoners, which are sent to Bourdeaux till his Britannick Majesty's Pleasure concerning them be known. The Trenches before St. Sebastian were opened last Night within 70 Toises of the Covered-Way, without the Loss of one Man, being not perceived by the Enemy till break of Day, when they began their Firing, since which they have killed one Captain and wounded five Men. We reckon to be Masters of the Place in six Days.

Admiralty-Office, July 20, 1719.

The Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty being inform'd, that several of the Men belonging to His Majesty's Ship the Guernsey, have absented themselves from their Duty, their Lordships do hereby strictly charge and require all such Men as have so absented themselves, immediately to repair to their Duty on Board the said Ship at Portsmouth, as they will answer the contrary at their Peril, and forfeit the Wages due to them, the said Ship being forthwith bound on Service.

By their Lordship's Command,

J. Burchett.